Hill Sunday, I will go there and probably commence on the 14th.

On my arrival at Dayton, I found that it was the intention of the church to elect a minister and two deacons. Quite a nice little congregation assembled at their cozy upper room on Fifth street. Bro. Sam'l Brumbaugh, M. D., was elected as minister, and brethren Aaron Protsman and Justice Stuckrath as deacons. The brethren were all installed by the imposition of hands.

The Dayton church is fortunate in having our zealous brother Sam'l Kiehl as her leader. He seems not to be influenced by discouragements. Through all disappointments and obstacles he continues to work, encouraging the little church in her duties. Under such leadership and with the additional help, there is a great future for our courageous little band at Dayton.

Bro. Brumbaugh promises to be a useful and prominent officer of the church. He not only has the ability, but also the zeal and "get up" to make his mark in the calling to which the church has chosen him.

I am now on my way to Glenford, Ohio, to make permanent arrangements for future appointments.

I used to take great pride in the fact that I never disappointed any one; but alas! during the past twelve months, and especially of late, I have lost much of my reputation. But brethren, be charitable in your judgments. Remember that my cares and anxieties are many, and that under my unsettled condition I cannot be expected to be as I used to be.

EDWARD MASON.

Buchanan, Mich.

In No. 42, Bro. Holsinger gives a brief history of the organization of what is now the Buchanan Brethren church. I thought while reading it, how little those unacquainted with the circumstances which led to that organization, knew of the terrible work done at this place under the cloak of religion, by a committee sent here by the highest authority in the church—*Annual Meeting*. That committee, had they come here in the spirit of the Master with a desire to do good, might have done a good work here. But instead of that, they disregarded the testimony of brethren and sisters who moved in the best society, whose word is as good as their bond and would be taken as such by the entire community, and accepted the testimony of those who had been expelled for telling untruths, and of others guilty of different crimes. Why all this? Because some of those unruly members were dressed in the *order of the church*. Some of the others were not quite in the order. Hence their testimony was not reliable. Many of us were raised in the church and had great confidence in the church and her councils. But when we saw the work of that committee, our confidence was shaken, and we knew that such work was not of God.

You, dear brethren and sisters, while reading of that organization, knew nothing of the sorrow, sighs, tears and prayers of God's children at this place. But thanks be to God who giveth the victory, the clouds have passed away, the Sun of righteousness shines forth, the hearts of God's children have been warmed into new life, and the fruits of it are seen and felt in our sanctuary service, in our prayer meetings, in their every day life that they have taken a step nearer the Divine Master and that they are receiving new life from Him who is able to impart life to all.

With Jesus for our foundation and his gospel for our only rule of faith and practice, we shall endeavor, by the grace of God, to use all the power God gives us for the advancement of His cause. We have a very interesting prayer meeting every Wednesday evening in which all of our brethren and sisters take an active part, and that is what makes it interesting. Since our organization we have added seven more names to our number (by relation) with good prospects for more in the near future.

And now, dear brethren and sisters, let us

"To the work! To the work! we are servants of God,
Let us follow the path that our Master has trod,
With the balm of His council our strength to renew,
Let us do with our might what our hands find to do.

J. N. MILLER.

Nov. 4, 1887.

Farmersville, Ohio.

Several days previous to my first appointments in Montgomery county, I took quinsy, and hence disappointed the brethren. While sick I was at the home of Bro. Henry Roberts, in Perry county. They showed me much kindness. This seems to be an instinctive principle with them and hence are not to blame. Many thanks.

After sickness, my wife and I said farewell and hastened to Farmersville, where the brethren were anxiously awaiting our coming. They had no services for six weeks and were getting hungry. I shall make up for the disappointments and satisfy them right early.

We visited among some of the families for two weeks and then my wife went to visit her folks in Lancaster County, Pa., where she will remain until Jan. 1st, 1888, when we will begin housekeeping, at Milford, Ind. Before I forget it, I wish to say that there are some very large or generous hearted people down here. A couple has two hearts. I am much pleased with the people and country. Spiritually we are on the increase, and I hope that during my short stay much good may be done.

It is the same old story. As usual Farmersville is to the front on the "dollar plan." This church is sure of a dollar *per capita* already and the canvass is not yet completed. They are in favor of education down here and think a college an indispensable institution for the education of our ministers. We are a progressive people and should the College fail we would scarcely be worthy the name of "progressive people." What Winchester and Lexington will do I can not now say. We had no fair pull at them yet; but it is to be hoped that they will do their part. The Valley must not be behind. I am hopeful of good results.

At Winchester the church is building a house for worship. It is of good size and will be a substantial structure when completed which will be in a few weeks if cold weather does not interfere.

At Lexington they are also building a house. Three weeks ago the timber was yet in the forest, the stones were scattered over the fields, but at this writing the wall is completed and before this article appears the frame will be up and perhaps the weather boarding and roof on. This is characteristic of true progression. Let the good work go on and perhaps this house will yet be ready for dedication before the one at Winchester. There is one feature in regard to the location of the house that I especially admire. That is, they are building it in West Alexandria, a neat town of about a thousand or more inhabitants. Good results may be expected there.

A. A. COBER.

Maurertown, Va.

Nov. 7th.—About three miles south of the confluence of the Shenandoah river with its North Fork, has been my field of battle for the last seven days, an entire new section of country to me. Bro. Rinker, of Warren, opened this engagement. We only reenforced him. It was a short battle but very warmly contested by the enemy's forces. Seven yielded to the wooings of the holy cause. A number are lingering in the camp of conviction. In all my experiences this portion of country has more infidelity than any ever I traveled or my misfortune to meet. Looking over the place adjacent to the school house we could count thirteen families who were skeptical and of this number about seven avowed infidels. I almost blush at this for old Virginia, but so it is. How sad! "One sinner destroyeth much good."

Since my last report we enrolled twelve. Bro. R. Z. Replogle is with us now and doing some good preaching, and upon my return home I hear he has baptized a worthy gentlemen for whom we have been praying. Bro. R. Z. should be in the field working more. I hope he will come and abide in the old Dominion, where we need preaching so much. One of our old standard bearers was offered a "brand new hat if he would only come back in the ranks of the old way," by an Elder beyond the Potomac who was proselyting in our ranks—we could say more but not now.

E. B. SHAVER.

Linkville, Ind.

I boarded the train for Plymouth, Ind. Met at the depot by Bro. Echert. We were bound for the Buffalo School House, where we had been solicited to do some preaching and organize the few brethren and sisters into a class. But when we arrived at Bro. Dick's, we were informed the house was closed against preaching, during school days. So we had no meeting on the first evening. But on Thursday we talked for a few minutes to a very attentive little congregation. On the next evening we went to the school house where we met quite a congregation. We will say here that brother Abbott has done the preaching here for some time past. He must have certainly stood solid, as there is a company of sanctified (so they claim) there and their whole aim is to tear other churches down. We had to leave them then, but if all is well we will hold a short series of meetings in the near future. We came to Linkville on Saturday, 5th, to fill our regular appointment. Preached here over Sunday. On Monday, Bro. J. M. Rittgers commenced a protracted meeting, continuing till Friday night, when we had to brake up as he had made arrangements to commence in South Bend and could not change it. If he could have staid long enough there would certainly have been an outpouring, as we had large crowds and the best attention. Bro. R. is a powerful preacher and he gave us solid preaching fearless of dispute, and that is the kind that wins.

This morning we leave for home. We wish to thank the brethren for the favors we received. May the Lord bless the work every where.

J. M. Fox.

Nov. 11, 1887.

Conemaugh, Pa.

When we receive the EVANGELIST we look for familiar names, and often wonder why they do not write, probably they are like us, lazy by times. Let us break the monotony by saying Conemaugh don't run so swiftly, or grow so fast, as some places, but we get awakened by times. Bro. Stephen Hildebrand called to see us, and preached two very acceptable sermons for us on Sunday and Sunday evening, Nov. 6th.

We would like to say to brethren H. R. Holsinger, S. H. Bashor, P. J. Brown, E. L. Yoder, Jos. Beer, J. B. Wampler, and all others who have preached for us, (oh! yes, Bro. W. L. Spanogle I did not omit your name intentionally) that we have changed the interior, or rather improved the general appearance of our church, and we are now ready to shake you by the hand—take you by the arm and escort you to a cozy little church. And we won't charge you any thing for preaching. Our people takes spells occasionally. They took a bad one last month and did not stop until they had the coziest little church in Conemaugh. They papered ceiling and walls, oak grained the seats, wains-coating and frames, a stage for the organ and choir, new carpet, new matting and chairs and an easy thing for ye preachers to sit or lie down upon. Increased the number of lights and changed the shades, cost $175. I am a little more bashful than some of our people, but just let me say, "all things are now ready," and won't some of ye lights, just stop off and enlighten us, and try our fare.

D. F. RAMSEY.

Nov. 8th, 1887.

Middlefork, Ind.

Eld. J. W. Fitzgerald comenced meeting here in the Salem church on Saturday evening the 29 of Oct., and will probably close tonight. (Closed last night Nov. 10, 1887.) Have baptized 9 and received one by relation and have one applicant for baptism, which we think is doing quite well.

Bro. Fitzgerald preaches with power. He will be the regular pastor here for a time at least. The church is getting in splendid shape for work, and by consistent walk of her members will have the ascendency, and be a power for good.

B. L. GORDON.

New Enterprise, Pa.

Saturday, October 29, the Seventh Day, Baptist Brethren held their semi annual love feast. Quite a large number were in attendance.

It is expected that Elder Shaver, of Virginia, will commence a protracted series of meetings in the Brethren church at this place on the 24th of November next.

Sunday, October 30, Rev. John B. Fluke, a minister of the German Baptist church, preached a temperance sermon in their large church at this place. He also preached on the same subject Sunday evening.—From the Altoona Tribune.

Our Church.

The letter from Oregon is an encouraging little message.

Bro. E. Mason baptized two at Pleasant Hill last Lord's day.

Protracted meeting commenced at the College last Lord's day.

Bro. J. H. Worst's family expects to visit Ashland about the holidays.

No doubt many of the readers will be interested in the account of Elder Graybill Myer's death.

Sister Mary Saylor, of Waterloo, Iowa was here last week visiting friends and relatives. She left for home on yesterday (Tuesday.)

Please take notice that Bro. J. H. Worst's address will be Lanark, Ill., from now until further notice. He commenced meeting there on the 12th.

Bro. Josiah Keim tells us that a few days after the close of their protracted meeting at Louisville, a sister living at some distance came down for baptism, after which Eunich—like she went her way rejoicing.

The Brethren at Bear Creek, near Dayton, O., will hold a love feast on Thanksgiving day, Nov. 24; all of like faith are cordially invited.

A. BEEGHLY.
Nat. Military Home, Ohio.

Sister Mary Keim, of the Louisville Church, Ohio, passed from this world into paradise last Lord's Day night. She was a noble Christian woman, and she rests from her labors. The funeral services will be held today, Wednesday, Nov. 16th. We sympathize with brother Jonas Keim, who has thus been bereft. May heavenly prospects console him.

Trustee Meeting.

There will be a meeting of the Board of Trustees of Ashland College on Tuesday, November 29th, 1887, at 9 o'clock A. M. Important business will be before the meeting and a full attendance is desired.

By order of the Executive committee. DAVID BAILEY, Chairman.

N. B. The Ashland City Church will hold a communion meeting on the evening of the 28th.

"I Cure Fits."

This heading is a familiar sight to most newspaper readers, as it has appeared regularly in the best publications for many years past. Dr. H. G. Root, of 183 Pearl Street, New York, has a world wide reputation as a successful specialist in this distressing disease and has no doubt cured more cases than all other doctors combined. As an evidence of good faith the doctor sends a free sample bottle of his remedy to all sufferers who write for it, if they give their express and post office address.